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## Next Bridge Hydrocarbons, Inc.

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None of the Series A Preferred Stockholders are required to vote on or take any other action in connection with the Spin-Off. We are not asking you for a proxy, and we request that you do not send us a proxy. The Series A Preferred stockholders will not be required to pay any consideration for the Common Stock they receive in the Spin-Off; immediately after the Spin-Off, all shares of Series A Non-Voting Preferred Stock of Meta shall be cancelled.

Meta currently owns all the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Company, and we have not sought to have the shares of Common Stock traded on any exchange. Accordingly, there is currently no public market for the Common Stock, and there is no current expectation for a public market to develop for the Common Stock.

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UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Next Bridge Hydrocarbons, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

Nevada

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87-2538731

(State or other jurisdiction of

(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not issue these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is

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effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.

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In reviewing this Prospectus, you should carefully consider the matters described in the section titled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 7 of this Prospectus.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED THESE SECURITIES OR DETERMINED IF THIS PROSPECTUS IS TRUTHFUL OR COMPLETE. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

This Prospectus is not an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, any securities. The date of this Prospectus is , 2022

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## CAUTIONARY STATEMENT CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Prospectus contains certain forward-looking statements and information relating to our business that are based on the beliefs of our management as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to our management. When used in this communication, the words "may," "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "plan," "forecasts," "projections," and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, without limitation, the statements regarding our strategy, future plans for development and production and other strategic options, future expenses and costs and future liquidity and capital resources. Forward looking statements involve a number of risks, assumptions and uncertainties which may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in this Prospectus. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the future events and trends discussed in this Prospectus may not occur and actual results could differ materially and adversely from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements.

Such statements reflect our current views with respect to future events, the outcome of which is subject to certain risks, including, among others:

 general competitive conditions, including actions our competitors may take to grow their businesses;

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